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NEWS FLASH

Latest advice from Washington states that the Wisconsin stamp will be issued. Details are lacking.

British Guiana 1d Black

By DON HOUSEWORTH

(Continued From Last Week)

The little envelopes each held a single stamp, and Jackson was engaged in transferring the bits of paper to the album an unique affair, which consisted entirely of transparent pockets.

"You don't hinge them?" Hayden broke the stillness.

Jackson started at the sound, for he had evidently been so preoccupied that he believed himself alone.

"Hinge?" he repeated. "No, no, I do not hinge them. This album, a small invention of mine, makes it possible to both display and preserve the pieces without danger of thinning them with hinges. You are a collector? I didn't know—"

"I am an embryo collector," smiled Hayden. "I have never saved a stamp, but I have promised myself that I will begin a collection the day after the Jones and Ebert mysteries are solved. I have read a great deal about stamp collecting during the past two weeks and I am thoroughly sold on the hobby."

"You have been reading— Why?"
"Because I believe—"
Jackson held up a hand. "You needn't tell me."

Neither spoke again for several minutes. Jackson continued the mounting, with Hayden watching attentively.

"That's an oddity," exclaimed the inspector as Jackson lifted a strip of three stamps with his tongs. "Is that se tenant?"

"No, Mr. Hayden, these stamps are known as tetebeche. You see the bottom stamp is inverted in relation to that above it. Such errors are fairly frequent, but this one is a rarity. The stamp is the 40 reis of Portuguese India and is valued at \$500. There is possibly one duplicate of this strip in existence."

"Most interesting," said the inspector. "How did it get into the Jones collection?"

"We picked these stamps up for a mere nothing at a little street stall in Mexico City about 1915. It was mostly a book shop and the proprietor evidently knew little about stamp values. I think Mr. Jones gave \$2 for the strip. Of course," and the inspector saw Jackson smile for the first time, "that doesn't often happen."

"Mr. Jones owned quite a number of rarities which he purchased at advantageous prices from time to time, and to think that this wonderful collection, all British colonies, comes to me is almost too much. I have known for several years that Mr. Jones intended for me to have the stamps, but it was not until after his death that I realized what a wonderful gift they are."

"Isn't there considerable risk from fire and theft in keeping the collection here?" Hayden asked.

"Most of the rarities are in a safe deposit box, but we often brought them home for study, and the bulk of the collection is kept here in a fire-proof safe. There are comparatively few who have an idea as to the value of the collection, and we have always regarded it as safe here with us."

"Did I understand you to say you were in Mexico during the war?"

"For a time."

"And British Guiana?"

Jackson did not answer, and the inspector did not repeat the question. The man seemed to throw off his mental burdens entirely while arranging the stamps in their proper places, and he discussed various pieces with evident pleasure. It was not until dusk settled over the room that the two went downstairs again. Jackson prepared a meal and afterward they returned to the living room.

By that time Jackson was again under the strain of the morning, and he paced the floor in impatience. From time to time he glanced at his watch, and at 8 o'clock turned on the radio and tuned it to a local station.

They listened to several variety numbers, and then the voice of the announcer said: "We have here in the studio tonight an artist who has appeared several times on this program. She has not permitted herself to be identified, but the number of letters received by this station prove that one's name means nothing when one has talent."

Jackson had approached the loud speaker to hear the better. His hands were clenched and Hayden noted the white knuckles.

Then the voice of the singer came. The song was "Lover Come Back to Me." Hayden had never before heard such an emotional voice, and he found himself leaning forward from the divan and visualizing the woman at the microphone. So absorbed in the quality of the voice he became that he felt a shock when the voice wavered and broke. He heard a woman's sob.

The inspector leaped to his feet. He was alone.

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Hayden placed a call for the broadcasting studio immediately, but could learn little about the singer. She had hurried away after losing control of her voice. Several times, the manager explained, she had broadcast from the station and always at the same hour when the staff artists presented a variety program. Hayden obtained a sketchy description of the woman and relayed it to police headquarters in the hope she might be recognized on the street by an officer.

Where Jackson had gone was another mystery, but the inspector was certain that the woman had delivered

Educational Exhibit Cops Grand Prize

The Midwest Philatelic Society is pleased to announce that the Grand Prize Ribbon award has been presented to B. W. H. Poole of Los Angeles, California, for his outstanding Educational Exhibit (awarded First Prize in Group B) in the Stamp Exhibition held April 19 to 22, inclusive, at 116 East 10th street, Kansas City, Missouri.

A close "runner-up" in competition was the display of C. W. Gibbs of Kansas City, Missouri, his entry of a specialized collection of 3c '51s receiving First Prize Ribbon award in Group A.

Out-of-town exhibitors winning class prizes were: Max G. Johl, Donald D. Burgess, A. Murl Kimmel, and Walter Brook, while the home-town collectors "scoring" were Rex O. Copp, Franklin Crouch, E. S. Thresher, Carl A. Burton, Wm. S. McCoy, L. C. Evans and A. L. Harding.

This stamp exhibition being the first of any magnitude staged in Kansas City, attracted many spectators, a surprising number of whom admitted to a renewed interest in stamp collecting, which quite apparently was heightened by the attractive and varied mediums of collecting presented by the exhibits which were housed in 115 frames.

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Mr. Ulm on the 12th of April returned from Australia safely with the first Aerial Mail from there, but no special stamp was used, only a special "cachet."

On the 29th of March, Sir Kingsford Smith also safely made the return journey with a mail also only with a special cachet.

All covers by these mails must be scarce as not nearly enough were carried to go round collectors.

As yet we have had no word or sign of the letters entrusted to Admiral Byrd. We expected them to be returned by the supply ship Jacob Ruppert which came back from the Antarctic to winter here, awhile back.

Harris' U. S. List

A new 68 page illustrated price list of United States and better grade foreign stamps has just been issued by H. E. Harris & Co., 108 Massachusetts Ave., Boston. This new list is the most pretentious list of United States that Harris has yet issued. It includes postage, departments, airs, specials, dues, revenues, etc. There is also an offering of some covers and collections among which we note a strip of four 10c 1847 on cover. Copies of the list may be had gratis.

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U. S. REVIEW

Thomas F. Whitbread
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One of the most popular questions which is constantly being asked is for a method to distinguish between hard and soft paper on the banknote issues. Although we have answered this question before in this column, the number of requests received seem to warrant its being answered again. There are two ways to distinguish between these papers. First, take the stamp to be tested between the finger and thumb and then "flick" with the other hand. If the stamp appears brittle with a decided snap to it the stamp is a hard paper variety. If, on the other hand, the stamp seems limp and without much springiness it is a soft paper variety. The other method, which is preferred by many, is to hold the stamp to an electric light with the face of the stamp towards the light. If the light coming through the stamp appears with a clear and even semi-transparency, the stamp is printed on hard paper. When the soft paper variety is held before a light it is not evenly transparent and appears to resemble thin blotting paper with alternate light and dark spots.

Mr. Wilkin also asks for some way to determine shades of early 3c stamps such as red, pink and rose. He adds that the published color charts do not help to any great extent. We are afraid we cannot be of much help either. The only adequate way for determining these colors and shades is by study and by consulting with one who does know. Once having seen the real 3c pink you will always be able to pick it out. If any reader has stamps he would like classified as to color we will, of course, be glad to do it, for them without charge provided a stamped and addressed envelope for their return is enclosed.

Mr. L. M. Ryer, editor of the Shift Hunters Letters for the Bureau Issues Association, that organization to which we all owe so much, for our increasing knowledge of U. S. stamps, takes issue with my explanation of shifts and double transfers as recently described in this column. He promises to provide a more adequate and correct explanation for next week's appearance of this column. Watch for it.

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The appearance of a new stamp publication in England should be conclusive proof of the strength of Philately in that country, as well as the general upturn in business conditions.

It is no small matter to launch a publication so pretentious and so costly as a catalogue of Postage Stamps.

Perhaps another thing that should be noted with reference to this new catalogue is the fact that it is built with a thought to cater to the American trade.

The refusal of the Stanley Gibbons firm to deface their illustrations with a white line as required for stamp pictures in this country has eliminated the Gibbons catalogue from the American market, except, of course, in the case of the few bootleg copies that are to be found.

Now comes Robson Lowe, 93 Regent Street, W. 1, London, with an original new catalogue, and one that is printed with an intention to get the American business that Gibbons have apparently spurned.

This new catalogue is of stamps of the British Empire only. It is a much better job of printing than is found in any other stamp catalogues that we know of, and the illustrations throughout, on a good quality of paper, are far better than those used by other publishers.

The catalogue has numerous features which should be of value and interest to all collectors of these stamps. Numerous notes on the market value of the stamps are found throughout the book. Many of the stamps are priced on covers and much valuable advice and information for the specialist is included.

Some sound advice and much information of value to all collectors is to be found in the forepart of the catalogue, and it will be desirable to quote some of this matter at a later date.

The catalogue is based on strictly net prices, and it is the object of the publishers to state that they supply the stamps at the listed prices, subject of course to price changes as announced from time to time.

The price is \$1.25, and collectors of British stamps will find it money well spent if they will give the catalogue careful study as a guide for buying.

Danish Tete-Beche Stamps

Mr. C. Vesterholt of Aalborg, Denmark, submits samples of the new tete-beche stamps of this country. Scott numbers 223 and 226 now come in this form. The stamps are from sheets from which stamp booklets are to be made. Vertical pairs, also pairs with a white gutter equal in size to the stamp, between the stamps.

Protectorate Coming?

The intervention of the League of Nations having failed to secure the better government of Liberia, which, by reason of rampant disease and plague, is said to be a menace to the world, has led to the rumor that the League will declare it a mandated territory and place some other nation in charge.

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Mr. H. O. Knecht of Los Angeles sends a cartoon clipped from the Los Angeles Times which pictures a large copy of the Mothers' Day Stamp and shows Uncle Sam with his hat off to the mothers of America.

In the Columbus Dispatch of May 13 was a cartoon by William A. Ireland, one of the greatest cartoonists of America, which called attention to the fact that Whistler's Mother was placed on a 3c stamp, and then went on to show an 8c Air Mail Stamp on which was pictured in numerous small sketches the active mother of today, and it was remarked that if our modern mother was to be shown on a stamp it would have to be an Air Mail Stamp, 'cause mother got around so fast.

Jamestown Annual Meet

Announcement of the Fifth Annual Tri-State Coin and Stamp Convention, to be held June 15-16 at Jamestown, New York, is at hand, with details of the event.

This annual meeting is one of the big events of the year, and has drawn an excellent attendance. An exhibition of coins, stamps, medals, Indian relics, manuscripts, firearms and other objects is the main feature.

On Saturday morning there will be an auction sale of coins, while in the afternoon there will be a stamp auction. A joint banquet on Saturday night at 7:30.

Collectors who plan to attend should get complete details as to hotels, etc., from the general chairman, T. James Clark, Jamestown, N. Y.

A Real Thriller

Mr. Errol Laney of Mansfield, La., writes to call attention to the story entitled "The Chinese Orange Murder," in the June number of Red Book magazine. The story is composed entirely about philately, the whole plot woven around an old Chinese stamp.

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Mr. Errol says it's great, and thinks that the author, Ellery Queen, surely must be a stamp collector.

It is a real thrilling detective story that ought to be worth reading by every stamp collector, and while on the subject of thrilling detective stories about stamps, do not overlook the one which started last week in this paper and is continued in this issue and will run next week again, when we hope to finish it.

Modern Fast Mail

Mr. Cyrus Adams of Chicago sends a couple of clippings on recent Air Mail matters both in America and Germany. The clipping on German matters states that a new ship for mail and passenger service to be used in Germany will be one of the fastest in the world with a speed of 224 miles per hour. This claim is made before the ship is flown and the American clipping tells of the recent flight made by an army plane carrying the last load of mail from Los Angeles to New York, in which the actual flying time was 11½ hours, speed of from 230 to 250 miles per hour was made on the trip, the average time being 227 miles per hour. Thus we see that "Heinie" will have to try again if he wants the fastest ships.

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268a	20c	Orange35
269	26c	Blue Green35
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* Editorials *

THE USED BLOCK RACKET Cancel my Advertisement, wires J. L. Portwood of New York, following the publication of our expose of the Used Block Racket in our issue of May 12th. That then is the reason that his advertisement no longer appears on this page. He said some other things in his telegram also, things that were not complimentary to the publisher. We wrote him at once proposing to print his telegram and letters in full in order that all might know the complete facts in this matter but he insisted that his letters and telegrams be not printed.

Early in 1932, following the issue of the Bicentennial stamps, Mr. Portwood began to offer those stamps on handsome covers at a price below face value. It was evident to us that there was some plan by which the stamps were obtained in lightly cancelled condition below face. Mr. Portwood stated that he could supply any quantity at a certain price. He wanted to market the material but hardly knew how to go about it. The covers were so attractive that we offered to advertise them and take them from him at a given figure. Quite a quantity were sold and in the meantime we inquired from him as to how the stamps could be sold to us at a price considerably below face.

His reply was substantially as explained by us in our editorial in the May 12th issue. Soon after this information came to us, Mr. Portwood wrote us that he could not longer supply the stamps since there had been a question raised by the Post-

office Department or by the Department of Justice regarding the illustrations on the envelopes.

You will note that this occurred early in 1932. Two years ago. You will note also that the explanation of the used block racket as we gave in our May 12 issue, was substantially as Mr. Portwood explained it to us in his letters in 1932. You will note also in our May 12 issue that we refer to the fact that a great many people have written us letters and that we have discussed this used block racket with numerous collectors in the past year or more at various stamp meets and that the explanation that all of them seemed to understand was substantially as stated by us and as given us by Mr. Portwood. Thus while we practically quoted Mr. Portwood's statement, the same information was also gathered in numerous instances from other sources.

Perhaps the reason that this information was common and current is because this method of acquiring used stamps at less than face was first practiced by a St. Louis dealer at the time of the Columbian issue in 1893. Thus its only an old gag brought to life again.

In his telegram to us as stated above, Mr. Portwood accused us of a breach of business confidence for printing the editorial, and he followed up his telegram with letters evidently worded to cause us to become enraged and excited, all of which we failed to do but we did offer to print his telegram and correspondence if he so desired.

In one of his letters to us he emphatically denies that the method of securing the stamps is as stated in our editorial, yet in his first telegram he accuses us of a breach of business confidence for printing the matter. This then shows that he told us an untruth in the first instance and then because we print an untruth according to his own statements, yet a truth as stated by others with whom we have talked, Mr. Portwood says we violated a business confidence. Does Mr. Portwood believe that he gave us anything in confidence when he admits by his own letters to us that he misled us in the first place. Is he a man to talk about business confidence when a man is tricked in order to gain his confidence as he did to gain ours?

Mr. Portwood even went so far in his letters as to state that we should retract the editorial, make an apology, that we had slandered certain postmasters in Nebraska.

If we did this, Mr. Portwood is father of the slander, we stated what he told, as was also told by others with whom we have talked on this matter. In fact if we were to quote some of the statements that were made to us by collectors and dealers with whom we discussed this matter, it would be quite laughable.

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Larchmont, New York

stances, yet the method as explained is a practical one made possible by certain terms under which the Fourth Class Postmaster's salary is figured.

While unethical, we do not believe it criminal and we do not believe it is done with any intention to defraud the postoffice department, yet doubtless the postoffice department would frown on the plan, as they should.

Since the publication of our editorial we have a letter from a collector in Nebraska. This letter explains the used block racket from another angle, a much more simple method and the method which he claims is the one by which the market has been flooded with used blocks.

Thus all any stamp dealer need do to get the used blocks is to get himself a friendly special delivery boy in a town where there is but one boy, so that this one boy will be sure to get the deliveries.

We quote the letter herewith:

Syracuse, Nebr., 5-13-34.

My dear Mr. Linn:

I have just finished your article on the Used Block Racket and must say that I believe your theory is wrong to the biggest portion of the article. I know of one dealer and his ads were in your paper for a long time, cleared over \$4000 by this racket in one year. His method is not as you state but the Special Delivery method.

Perhaps as you know, special delivery carriers are allowed 9c of the fee for their service. This party has a brother which is a special delivery carrier in a small office in a certain state. He purchases large quantities of stamps and using several cards clipped together, is able to send these under one sheet to an address up town where they are signed for. These stamps never go through the regular mails. Since the 15% reduction on salaries for economy, the carrier receives .0765 cents per article for delivery and turns .0665 over to his brother. Thus a card costing 11c really only costs him 4.35c. In mailing his cards he figures on this basis and when he has mailed them his blocks can be sold for half face and a profit shown.

I know of this same stunt being carried on in a second class office by the aid of the special delivery carrier.

Also the blocks can be obtained through their use on legitimate mailing but the low values only. This is done by some dealers, mailing large selections of stamps wholesale and insuring same. Blocks are used when one or two stamps are needed to make the block and the other dealer retailates. You have had your postage service and the block costs but a small amount more.

Your acquaintance of your method may be correct but is rather risky for the postmaster while on the special delivery method, P. O. inspectors have checked and checked this fellow up but the method passes the regulations.

Yours,

C. A. Hunter.

Probably nothing more need be said as to the operation of the racket. It has been smoked out. It should be destroyed in some manner.

We are quite gratified to have had very hearty letters of approval from a few dealers, one a well known New York dealer as well as several letters from prominent collectors, all of whom agree with us in heartily condemning this curse that has been cast upon our stamps.

We do believe however that we should have received many more letters of approval than came to us. We wonder if many dealers and collectors approve of the blocks and stamps that have been flooding the market. Perhaps those who do are just thoughtless, even selfish about the matter, thinking that they are fortunate in being able to buy beautiful used blocks at such low prices. LOW PRICES, that is the point, they fail to realize that the catalogue will have to take note of these low prices, they fail to realize that they are encouraging the destruction of value in every legitimate used block that goes through the mail, they fail to realize that they are helping to cheapen the stamps and that instead of buying stamps that will increase in value as stamps should, that they are fostering a plan which will eventually make the used blocks of the type they buy little better than the cancelled to order material that comes from many other countries.

The real sportsman, the hunter of wild game, has little respect for the man that shoots game out of season, the fisherman likewise dislikes the man who takes a bass undersize. Let's keep the hobby of stamp collecting also a clean sport by frowning on practices that are unethical, that help to destroy the true interest and value in our stamps.

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THE NAME OF THE SECRETARY of the Omaha Philatelic Society is Gladys Rohrs. Gladys ought to make a good secretary for we have been at some stamp club meetings where the secretary had to Roar in order to quiet the traders and swappers and carry on the meeting.

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National Parks Stamps offer greatest opportunity ever open to First-Day Cover Collectors!

On the opposite page is offered the finest assortment of first-day covers ever assembled. They will prove of immense interest and their beauty, originality and lovely color combinations will make them the treasured possessions of their fortunate owners as long as stamp collecting exists.

The Beverly Hills Cachet Service, in line with its policy of giving more value for the money than even the greatest optimist could ask, now make an even greater offer to its customers thruout the world.

There are ten of our national parks illustrated on the ten stamps of this new series, the names of these parks being given on the opposite page. To stimulate knowledge concerning these parks, to bring out the latent talent in all of you, and to provide a contest in which no element of luck or chance exists, that will be won by sheer merit alone, we make this offer.

We want the very best descriptive essay you can write about the ten parks illustrated on these stamps. The essay must not be shorter than 500 words or longer than 1,000 words. Fourteen essays will receive awards as follows:

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- 3—You may obtain your information from any source you please.
- 4—Essay must not be less than 500 words nor more than 1,000 words.
- 5—Essays will be graded on three points only.
A—Accuracy will count 50%.
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C—Neatness and legibility will count 10%.
- 6—Use standard 8½x11 inch paper if possible, writing on one side only. Typing is preferred, but will not count extra.

- 7—Essays must be mailed with your order, and must reach us NOT LATER THAN JUNE 23, 1934.
- 8—The judges will be selected, impartial authorities. Their decision will be final.
- 9—Members of the Beverly Hills Cachet Service or their families are barred from this contest. Any others may enter as specified in —1— above.
- 10—The names of those whose essays are judged the best will be announced approximately two weeks after the contest closes. Awards will be made immediately after close of contest.
- 11—No manuscripts can be returned.

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EVERY person whose essays wins one of the above awards will have refunded every cent that he has paid in his order for these covers! So if your essay wins any of the fourteen awards you receive not only the cash award, but also get all the covers you ordered FREE, as the purchase price will be refunded with your award. Write that essay NOW!

Beverly Hills Cachet Service

9847 South Wood Street

Chicago, Illinois

Stamp News This Week

Fred E. Prohaska who has been offering bargains in this paper for some months past has just moved his office from Ridgefield Park, N. J., to 112 West 42nd Street, New York City.

A Chicagoan in writing a letter to the Tribune of that city anent the crabbing and complaining that others have done about the new Mother's Day stamp inquires, "What do all these protesters and agitators want for 3 cents, an oil painting?"

Charles J. Johns, Rottermann Apartments, Dayton, Ohio, reports the theft from his residence of a collection of almost all mint British Colonies mounted in a Whitfield King album also a quantity of approval cards of stamps as well as 9 mint sheets of Yorktowns, 8 sheets ½c Bicents and numerous other stamps including a

number of pocket stock books with mint Br. Colonials and a quantity of U. S. singles and blocks with plate numbers. The entire lot was valued at from \$1500 to \$2000. Any information should be telegraphed Mr. Johns at once.

M. Ohlman, New York Auction Dealer, has introduced a new album for mint sheets. Sheets are held in transparent pockets, no mounting, just slip them in the album. See his advertisement on the last page and get descriptive circular.

Collectors interested in knowing dates on which the Army first flew the mail can add to their collection of data the fact that April 8 was first day from Minneapolis, so says the Postmaster of Minneapolis.

—R. S. Chamberlain.

The Santa Monica Stamp Club of Santa Monica, Calif., has an interest-

ing program for June. On the 5th, Mr. Oertel will display Europe. June 12, Mr. Bissell will show coil stamps, June 19th, Mr. Clark and on the 26th, Mr. E. L. Brown will have a talk and display. This club meets every Tuesday night in the Outlook Building at 4th and Broadway, Santa Monica. Visitors are always welcome.

The postmaster in Boston, William E. Hurley, has opened a special window for serving stamp collectors. The window is open from noon to 5:30 daily. A service that can well be duplicated by other cities.

—Gordon Mickle.

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THE NATIONAL PARKS

series of commemorative postage stamps are officially announced from Washington. There will be ten stamps in the set, very large in size, the values being 1c to 10c. Each stamp will be a different color, and will portray a spectacular scene from our great national parks. The various subjects shown on the stamps will be:

- 1c—Yosemite
- 2c—Grand Canyon
- 3c—Mount Ranier
- 4c—Mesa Verde
- 5c—Yellowstone
- 6c—Zion
- 7c—Acadia
- 8c—Sequoia
- 9c—Glacier
- 10c—Great Smoky Mountains

It is the series that ALL collectors have wanted, that we have long waited for, hardly daring to expect. Now it is to be a reality, for on or about July 3rd, barely a month away, these ten magnificent stamps will be issued at Washington, D. C.

The Beverly Hills Cachet Service, with its record of unique and beautiful cachets and its matchless quality and service standards, has prepared for these stamps the most elaborate and historically valuable series of first-day covers ever designed. Here are a few of the features that distinguish them:

- 1—Fifty-one different covers are available as described below.
- 2—Fifty-one different color combinations will be used in the cachet on these covers, no two alike!
- 3—Every cover will bear a two-color cachet.
- 4—Only the finest Hammermill Bond envelopes used for these covers.
- 5—Every cover bears a printed serial number—there are no two alike. These covers are permanently registered in the buyer's name.
- 6—A cachet of unique and beautiful design, drawn for us by our own exclusive artist, Captain Donald C. Coltrin, whose work is known everywhere.
- 7—No straight-edged stamps are ever used on Beverly covers, only the finest selected stamps available.
- 8—Every cover will have enclosed a comprehensive descriptive leaflet telling the facts about the designs of this series, the historical data regarding the parks which will be invaluable material for your album. See the opposite page for further information on this.
- 9—Every cover will have enclosed a card worth from 1c to 25c on further purchases from us, just like so much cash!
- 10—With more than ten thousand satisfied customers on our roll, why not try Beverly covers this time and discover the real charm and value of first-day covers?

Prices, National Parks Covers

(Mailed from Washington, D. C., on first day of issue there)

Group A—All ten stamps in SINGLES on ten different covers.....	\$ 2.00
Group B—All ten stamps in PAIRS on ten different covers.....	2.75
Group C—All ten stamps in STRIPS OF THREE on ten different covers.....	3.30
Group D—All ten stamps in BLOCKS OF FOUR on ten different covers.....	4.25
Group E—All ten stamps in PLATE NO. BLOCKS OF SIX on ten different covers.....	10.00
Group F—All 50 covers (Groups A-B-C-D-E) listed above.....	21.00
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Unused Stamps

will NOT be enclosed in any first-day cover. We will provide unused sets of the National Parks stamps, to be mailed under separate cover within seven days after the day of issue, at these prices:

Entire set of ten stamps in singles, unused.....	\$.75
Entire set in pairs, unused.....	1.50
Entire set in blocks of four, unused.....	3.00
Entire set in plate number blocks of six, unused.....	6.00

Odd stamps at twice face value, any amount.

No plate numbers furnished except in complete sets as above.

Postage extra on ALL unused stamp orders, 3c for ordinary mail, 18c if you

wish them registered. We assume no responsibility for safe delivery beyond placing letters safely in the mail. All unused stamps thus ordered will be picked for centering, the very finest specimens that are available at Washington.

An Extra Gift

To help us avoid another tremendous last-minute rush of orders we urge you to mail your orders EARLY. To make this worth your while we will give you, free of charge, an extra first-day cover (our choice) for every dollar of your order IF YOUR ORDER IS MAILED BEFORE JUNE 17th! Thus, if you order Group D, and if your order is mailed before June 17th, we will send you four extra covers FREE! Group F will of course give you 21 extra free covers. This offer applies only to first-day cover orders. There is no premium on mint stamp orders.

In General

The large size and variety of these stamps makes it probable that the issue as a whole will be quite limited in number. Probably a comparatively small number of complete sets will reach the public, especially on covers. We cannot guarantee to provide covers after the first-day, so it is wise to order them now if you want them at all. Beverly covers have a quality all their own, and they will provide the finest of all album pieces with which to beautify your collection.

How To Order

Send all orders and make all payments to the Beverly Hills Cachet Service, 9847 South Wood Street, Chicago, Ill. Write your orders plainly and fully, printing out names of persons to whom covers are to go. Remit by Postal or Express Money Order or by certified check or by bank draft on Chicago. Postage stamps will NOT be accepted in payment. Cash may be sent at your own risk, but is not very safe. Personal checks accepted if they bear 5c extra for exchange cost here. If from persons not known to us orders will be held until check has cleared our bank.

All orders to win the free premium must be mailed before June 17th.

No orders of any kind will be received after June 29th.

Remember, do NOT send your own covers. We furnish everything.

SEE OPPOSITE PAGE FOR OUR AMAZING CONTEST OFFER!

Beverly Hills Cachet Service

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Chicago, Illinois



New A. M. Services

The routes advertised for bids on May 25th embrace new cities and services which many collectors may overlook, if they are not covering the re-opening of contract service on all of them. Particularly we will call attention to the following: Boston to Burlington, Vt., all new. Augusta, a new city on Boston to Bangor, Me. St. Paul to Sioux Falls, new. Sioux Falls to Bismark, new. Cincinnati on Washington to Chicago. Billings to Cheyenne, all new. Lake Charles, on New Orleans to Houston, new city. Washington to Nashville, on Newark to Fort Worth, all new. Lakeland, new city on route, to St. Petersburg. Fargo to Seattle, all new. As these services are likely to start any time, better get covers to Postmasters or Chambers of Commerce, with your requests, and of course covers received by these services to new cities, will always be the scarcer items.

A Lindbergh Item

Lindbergh Field, Lake Village, Ark., will be dedicated June 14th. This was the scene of Lindy's first night flight, and this fact, together with the

fact that it was named after the Colonel, will make it desired by many collectors. Send your air mail covers to W. J. Kirby, Dermott, Arkansas.

U. S. S. Macon

The dirigible arrived safely back at her base, and the west coast boys furnished very nice cachets. Thanks to F. H. James for covers from Oakland, Alameda, and Moffett Field, and from Clyde Welch, from Oakland and San Jose. These bear postmark of May 18th, at 7:30 A. M., and as she left Miami on the 16th at 7:30 A. M., she was about 48 hours making the flight.

R. W. Speakman writes that the Chamber of Commerce there had six cachets during her stay there, viz: For her arrival Apr. 22nd. For departure to the Maneuvers, May 5th; Return from Maneuvers, May 7th; 2nd trip to the Maneuvers, May 11th; Return from same, May 13th; Departure to Sunnyside, May 16th. 982 covers from the first and 407 covers for the last with smaller numbers for the trips. Speakman sure did a good job on this event and also wishes me to thank the many collectors who extended courtesies to him, with their covers. Collectors wish every city had boys like these Macon handlers.

Huron, S. D.

The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor cachet when that city goes on the new air mail route. Send cover to William H. Olson, 617 Kansas Ave., S. E. Olson says he can handle covers for Sioux Falls and Aberdeen also if you also send forwarding postage.

Pond-Sabelli

M. Sussman sends me cacheted cover from N. Y., May 14th, 8 A. M., for the take off of these aviators who were forced down in Ireland.

Historical and Other Cachets

Leonard Rogers, 257 Green St., Fairhaven, Mass., writes that the Scouting Force will be based at Provincetown, Mass., from July 12th to Aug. 12th and that there will be 27 ships present. To cover all vessels for this cachet, you must send 27 covers to him, and about five will be mailed each week during the stay.

Crossville, (Tenn.), Municipal airport will be dedicated on July 1st and the Exchange Club is providing

the cachet. Send air mail covers to Maj. C. C. Fisher, Crossville, Tenn.

July 4th cachet. Send covers to Chas. B. McManus, Jr., 282 Weyman Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.

The Tercentenary of the State of Wisconsin, and landing of Jean Nicolet the first white man will be celebrated throughout the state. I have seen the nice cachet which will be used and covers should be sent to National Stamp Traders Society, 89 Parkway, Oshkosh, Wis., before July 4th.

Perth Amboy, (N. J.), Chamber of Commerce is providing a very fine printed cachet for the 250th Anniversary of that city, June 11th. Send covers to them before June 8th.

Clyde Welch sends covers Postmarked at Pinnacles, Cal., May 6th, for the Dedication of the National Monument at that place, with printed cachet, and autographed by M. Brink and Arveta Knight, who mailed 58 covers for the event. Welch also gives figures as follows: 177 covers with cachet for 5th Anniversary of CAM 18, May 1st; About 2600 for Rickenbacker cachet, April 14th, and 817 April 18th for the San Francisco Fire.

There will be a cachet at Newark, Ohio, for the 4th Convention of the Universal Stamp Assn., June 22-24, and covers should go to Cachet Director, Chamber of Commerce, Newark, Ohio.

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F. L. HERGET, 553 Suffolk St., Buffalo, N. Y.

National Parks Stamps

Definite orders have been placed for the printing of this new series, which will consist of ten values. Colors will be standard and large size stamps. Date of first-day is unofficially said to be July 3rd, and the place Washington.

We will use for our first day covers ten different bi-colored cacheted covers on good grade of bond paper. Only good centered copies will be used.

Mint set of ten values.....\$.70
Mint set of ten values, Blocks of 4.....2.75
Mint set of ten values, Plate blocks of 4.....4.00

FIRST DAY COVERS

Set of ten values on ten covers.....\$1.25
Set of ten values on one plain #10 cover.....1.00
Set of ten values on ten covers and one complete set of mint singles.....1.95
Set of ten values on ten covers and complete set of blocks and singles.....4.70
Set of ten covers franked with blocks of 4 of each value.....3.25
Short set of 1c to 5c on five covers......50
Short set of 1c to 5c on one cover......40

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Mail Clerks Kicking

A number of navy mail clerks with whom I am in touch write me their resentment over practices of a lot of individuals who are sending them packets ranging up to 200 or more covers, asking for special cancels and cachets, often sending packets postage due, and otherwise breaking the ethics of our hobby. It seems that a certain group of dealers who never advertise and work quietly among collectors through the medium of auctions and mailing lists are the worst offenders. The mail clerks, however, finally are getting ready to unite and kill the game of such offenders by giving them the commonest of black cancels, with nothing between killer bars, and also by frequent mailings ashore. As for the individual collectors, these clerks will continue to do their best as in the past, especially for the organized collectors, such as are in the Universal Ship Cancellation Society.

Black Hawk Ruling

M. B. Owens, CMM, on the U. S. S. Black Hawk, has been forced to curtail his activities and in future will not handle covers except for members of the USCS. Mr. Owens has extremely limited storage space aboard and cannot accommodate the thousands of collectors who besiege him for cancels. Hence, unless you belong to the USCS, it will be useless to send Mr. Owens further covers.

Flag Day Cachet

A really beautiful cachet will be applied aboard the U. S. S. Northampton on June 14, by Leo Miller, the navy mail clerk, but Mr. Miller strictly limits the number of covers he will handle per individual. He has been swamped with huge packages of covers from individuals making all sorts of demands and has not the time to take care of them in such unreasonable quantities. Be fair to

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(If desired, remittance may be sent to Linn's.)

PARIS 14 (FRANCE)

the mail clerks and when sending for this cachet, limit your covers and address Mr. Miller care the postmaster, New York City.

Independence Day

Here are advance notes on two cachets for July 4, next. Send covers to Harry E. Whitlatch, 1233 Wilson Ave., Columbus, Ohio, for a beautiful cachet that will be mailed from a popular ship. Only size 6 3/4 covers accepted. Also, forwarding postage is necessary, otherwise covers will be mailed from Columbus. No post cards and no postage dues. This will be a two-color cachet, depicting the Liberty Bell and appropriate wording. The other cachet I know of at present will be from the U. S. S. Northampton, and again the genial, accommodating Leo Miller, navy mail clerk, will handle the covers. Send him a limited number, and while you are at it, remember Leo is also a collector. Remember him, too, with a nice cover or so from your duplicates.

Alaskan Survey

Collectors who were fortunate enough to have had covers with D. C. Bartley, Green Lake Station, Seattle, Wash., are receiving back some nice cancels from ships conducting the Alaskan survey. The Swallow, Oglala, Kingfisher, Gannet and others have so far mailed back covers with Alaskan port cancels. Keep covers with Mr. Bartley for events on the coast.

Another Cachet

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Our Cooperators

Thanks for news and covers this week go to Charles C. Olasky, M. B. Owens, Capt. W. V. Miller, H. E. Whitlatch, W. G. Crosby, J. V. Terrio, Leo Miller, E. L. Beckwith, Joseph Josselson, Dr. S. E. Hutnick, Camille Lacombe, Karl Lewis, William F. Rice, Jr., and J. K. Delano.

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can Virgin Islands, formerly Danish
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the Danish West Indies expires and
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can currency will replace it.

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BASUTOLAND—Philatelic Magazine publishes a report that Gen. Hertzog, in a speech at Johannesburg, on April 26th, stated that opinion was almost unanimous in the Union of South Africa in favor of the protectorates of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland being absorbed in the Union. If this transpires this new addition of the philatelic map will be short-lived.

BECHUANALAND—See remarks above.

CANADA—Philatelic Magazine also reports that the Loyalist Commemorative announced in our notes of March 31st will include various historical episodes. Inasmuch as our previous notes stated that only one value was to be issued, we await more authentic information. Concerning this same issue, Gibbons assumes that it will be issued about July 1st.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—In August of this year, a set of four stamps will be issued commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Czechoslovakian Legion in Russia. The total face value of this set will be 6 or 7kr.
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

INDO-CHINA—The 3c. brown stamp has been withdrawn and will shortly be re-issued in green.
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

INDIA—Bhopal—Some color changes in the official stamps may be expected shortly.

Cochin—All values showing the portrait of the new Rajah have now been issued, with the exception of the 2 pies stamp. This is ready, but will not be placed on sale until the exhaustion of the old issue.

Hyderabad—We have been shown a postally used pair of the current 1a. stamps, imperf. between, vertically.
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

JUGOSLAVIA—Further on the new Air set, noted in our issues of Oct. 28, 1933, and Jan. 27, 1934. Designs: 50 para (View of Dubrovnik); 1 din. (Bled); 2 din. (Waterfall at Jajce); 3 din. (Oplenac); and 5 din. (Mostar Bridge).
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

LITHUANIA—The Air Mail set announced in our issues of March 3rd and April 28th has appeared. The three cent values are horizontal rectangular format and the three higher values are upright rectangular. The 20 and 60 cent picture the two martyr aviators and the other four values planes in flight. Quantities issued were 2½ million each of the three lower values; 500,000 of the 1 Lit.; 300,000 of the 3 Lit., and 100,000 of the 5 Lit.
(Philatelic Magazine)

PAPUA—Further details as to the commemoratives heralded in this column March 31st. The set will consist of four values—1, 2, 3, and 5 pence. The 1 and 3 pence stamps will bear a picture showing the arrival of the H.M.S. Nelson at Port Moresby, on November

6th, 1884, with Commodore James Erskine speaking to about 20 chiefs. The 2 and 5 pence show a sketch made by a special representative of the Sydney Mail at Port Moresby and Page Point.
(Philatelic Magazine)

PERU—The following new colors have appeared: Type A111—4c., now light brown, design not as clear as formerly. Type A115—15c., light ultramarine, design much clearer. The 20 and 50 cent, type A115, have been reported in a change of colors, but details are lacking. These color changes are the result of the government's efforts to prevent cleaning of cancellations and the use of chemicals on these new colors for the purpose of removing the cancellation results only in the detection of the attempt at fraud.
(F. H. Hawley)

Mr. Hawley also informs us that the Jet Black, noted in our April 21st issue, first appeared in December, 1932, or January, 1933. Black as listed by Scott came off the presses almost the same time as the Jet Black, and a Grayish Black was the last and current printing. All printings are still available, although the first two only from the smaller inland offices.

SPAIN—Semi-postal stamps. Black figures at the back. Perf. 11.

SP10—5c. black and orange (Serie 3a)
(Gibbons' Supplement)

SWAZILAND—See note under Basutoland in this issue. Gibbons' are informed that the ½p., 1p., 2p. and 6p. stamps are ready for issue, with an Official overprint.

SYRIA—June 1st is the date a long set of commemoratives should appear, consisting of 19 values for postage and 9 values of air mail stamps. Total face value about 90 French francs.
(Philatelic Magazine)

TANNOUTOUVA—Philatelic Magazine received a set of new stamps from this country on two envelopes, one came air mail and the other registered. They consider them speculative and merely note the fact that the postage set consisted of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 15, and 20 kop.; and the Air Mail set of 1, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75 kop. 1 and 2 tug.

TRANSJORDANIA—Gibbons' illustrates an overprint which has been applied to the 1922 issue of Hejaz (Scott's type A7) purporting to convert the stamps into a Transjordanian issue and warn their readers that it is a BOGUS product. It seems to have been made as a very poor imitation of the Transjordanian 1924 overprint, Scott's Nos. 113 to 121 incl.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—Whitfield, King & Co. now report the receipt of the 5s. printed from photogravure and note that the main point of difference from the previous printing is that a hyphen now exists between the words "SUID-AFRIKA."

Bouvet Island Overprints

In February, H. M. S. Milford visited the Norwegian South Atlantic possession of Bouvet Island, this being the first time a British warship has been there. A mail was despatched within the territorial waters of the island and the permission of the Norwegian Consul at Cape Town was secured to have the mail franked with Norwegian stamps especially overprinted. A handstamp worded in two lines "BOUVET O Y A", was made and various current stamps of Norway overprinted in the following quantities: 5 ore (Scott's 104)—400; 7 ore (Scott's 168)—100; 10 ore (Scott's 133)—999; 20 ore (Scott's 145)—799; and 30 ore (Scott's 147)—395. Tho a cover bearing these stamps was received and delivered in London without any postage due being collected, the overprint will be considered in the light of a commemorative cancellation rather than that of a definite issue warranting catalog rank.
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

Change Of Currency

Trinidad, which at the present time keep the municipal and borough business accounts in dollars and cents, is considering the adoption of this system in place of sterling for Governmental accounting. If this is adopted, it of course will mean a change in the stamps to dollars and cents.
(Philatelic Magazine)

Cachets To Catch

A cachet for the 14th Annual Convention of the Disabled Veterans of the World War to be held at Colorado Springs, Colorado, will be sponsored by P. H. Heron, 3324 Upas St., San Diego, Calif. Covers must be in his hands by June 8th. Cachet will be printed, send unstuffed envelopes and mail your package with Comems.

Carter Glass, Jr., of Lynchburg, Va., advises that Lynchburg expects to go on a new air mail line soon. There will be a cachet, send covers at once to Chamber of Commerce, Lynchburg, Va. Air covers only, 8c postage.

The Calxico Chamber of Commerce, Calxico, Calif., will sponsor a cachet in connection with the turning of the first dirt in the construction of the All-American Canal, about July 1st. Address covers to Jess M. Worley, Secy., Chamber of Commerce, Calxico, Calif.

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(Dr. W. I. Mitchell)

A new Precancel Club and comprising a goodly portion of Bureau collectors. The "Precancel Club of Cleveland" has just been organized with Mr. N. L. Nye, Pres. (Bureau Collector); F. C. W. Brown, Vice Pres.; A. R. Weigel, Sec. and Treas. Meetings in June the second and fourth Wednesday, Room 310, Erie Bldg., E. 9th and Prospect Ave. Good luck to this new Club.

Volume 1, No. 1, of Precancel Optimist, official organ of the new Chicago Precancel Club has arrived and it is in truth an "Optimist." Glad to say that it includes a great deal of Bureau news some of which will be published in full or part in this column next week. We reprint herewith a portion of their comment on the Lawrence, Mass., 2c coil. "The dealer who is the storm center in this case has announced that he will refund the purchase price of all copies of Lawrence B123 that he has sold to his customers if anybody is dissatisfied with his purchase. Fair enough! However, anybody who tries to purchase the stamp will find that he must pay the catalog price of one dollar per stamp.

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K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

Last Saturday afternoon I motored over to Cambridge, Ohio, and spent a most delightful afternoon and evening. They had a very nice exhibition of 24 frames, and was I surprised to find that the biggest part of them contained precancels. A large part of the membership of the club I found were precancel collectors, and I was busier than a three headed elephant in a peanut factory. When I got ready to go to Cambridge I was very uncertain just what to take along, but if they invite me next year I'll have to load up for the boys.

The good Rev. Van Voorhis presents me a MOTHERS DAY from Hyndman, Pa., in U-120 across. And B. F. Henry of Knoxville presents me with one from there in the U-12 type, reading across. A very neat precancel. Edwin W. Tomlinson of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., presents me with a MOTHERS DAY from HILLS, Minn., in U-86 across, and a nice lot of Sioux Falls Dues.

From Capt. Pforzheimer I learn of a MARYLAND precancelled Springvale, Me., in U-121 and a MOTHERS DAY, too, both reading down. Also a MARYLAND from Wellsburg, W. Va., in U-121 reading up. The Captain also voices his sentiment about pricing of Bi-Centennial blocks. It was not very flattering, in fact it was very much to the negative. And I agree with him, altho I thought when the thing was first talked about it would be O. K. The Captain points out that there are held by collectors large quantities of mint Bi-Cents and should they be priced anyways in proportion to the way the singles are all the boys will stage a mad rush to get their holdings precancelled somehow and somewhere. And I think he is right. If this does happen tho there is another angle to look at and it is this. The few who hold on to their Bi-Cents in mint condition

will enjoy a larger reward than if the blocks are not priced.

John Wilson of Jamaica, N. Y., has been able to round up a few interesting items to show the old timer. A Kosciuszko from Monroe, La., in U-122. A 6c city type coil from Long Island City reading down in the usual type. A 10c ord. from Lincoln, Nebr., in the type with the large round O, and with a rubber handstamp cancellation on it too. Can't tell for sure whether a precancel or just a round tripper as the boys call those stamps that have gone out and returned and are turned over to the sender with some sort of an additional cancellation. The handstamp type resembles U-82 but may be a box roller killer. How about you guys from the plains.

Ohio Valley Philatelic Society

Such is the name of a new organization with headquarters at Wheeling, W. Va. Meetings are held at the YMCA on alternate Thursday nights. Next meetings June 7th and 21st. Already 32 members are in the society and much interest and activity is reported.

Delf Norona is president; Everett M. Gilmore, vice-pres.; William Coffey, secretary and Messrs Chas. H. Atkinson and Ben L. Morris are Directors.

This latter name is an old timer. The Editor of Linn's Weekly distinctly remembers meeting Mr. Morris at a Convention of the old Ohio Philatelic Association here in Columbus about 35 years ago.

The O. V. P. S. is already planning for their first annual meet next year and it will doubtless be well worth attending.

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By BI STANDER

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Why the English language is hard. We overheard this in the New York subway emanating from two collectors we did not know. "I had some Mother's flats mixed with rotaries and I separated them. When I get the time I'll be looking for some Harding perf. tens."

A dealer here can supply mint U. S. flavored with tobacco juice. A client of his wets his finger with the juice and if the stamp is upside down on the counter he brings the stamp up in front of him by this means. Of course in a great many instances he does not take the stamp and that is why there might be a philatelic murder some day.

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